

STATE LEVEL **Definitions**

- Added *qualifying fees* and *attorney's fees connected to the campaign* to "Ordinary and Necessary. OCGA 21-5-3(18)
- Added *Council* to the definition of "Public Officer". OCGA 21-5-3(22)(E)

Campaign Contribution Disclosure Report

ALL candidates seeking election to statewide or state offices, state or statewide Elected Public Officials, or state level non candidate committees are required to file electronically with the Commission.

FILE SCHEDULE

<u>Non-Election Year</u>	<u>Election Year</u>	<u>Run-off Election</u>	<u>Special Election</u>
January 31, 2014 June 30, 2014	January 31, 2014 March 31, 2014 June 30, 2014 September 30, 2014 October 25, 2014 December 31, 2014	6 days before run off	15 days prior to the special election

Removed language allowing a 15 day extension on final report.

Added that a Final Report shall be filed "within 10 days of the dissolution of a campaign or committee."

Personal Financial Disclosure Statement

ALL candidates seeking election to statewide or state offices are required to file electronically with the Commission.

Two Business Day Report

Faxed TBDs must also be e-filed within five business days following the transmission of the fax.

Late Filing fees

Graduated late fees of \$125, \$250 and \$1,000 are imposed by the person or entity with which filing is required for failure to timely file CCDRs and PFDs.

Publish a list on a quarterly bases late/non-filers who were required to file with the Commission.

Removed the prohibition for using campaigns funds to pay CCDR late fees.

Commission receives first \$25 from late fees received by the Commission.

Notice of late fees shall be sent to the candidate and the candidate's committee in the same manner by which the penalized report was filed with the commission. However, if the report in question was not filed or was filed with the commission in a manner other than electronic filing or certified mail, return receipt requested, the commission shall utilize certified mail, return receipt requested, to notify the candidate and the candidate's committee of the late fee due.

Add the language that the postmark date is the prima-facie evidence of filing.